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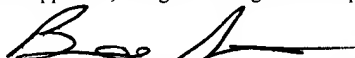
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Sir:

Applicant abandons this application for reasons unrelated to the patentability of the claims. Applicant maintains that the Ottensooser reference does not disclose or suggest storing scenarios including applications to be tested, inputs and outputs, nor does

it disclose or suggest selecting how to prepare an application to be tested in the sense of building the application to be tested. Rather, Ottensooser is concerned with testing a particular "system under test" in different ways and does not consider testing different "applications to be tested" in an automated manner as claimed by Applicant. Supporting disclosure for Applicant's claimed manner of building the test application is provided in the specification at, for example, the bottom of page 6, the bottom of page 9, and lines 7-12 of page 14.

Respectfully submitted,

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